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REMARKS

The indication that claim 5 includes patentable subject matter is acknowledged with thanks. In reliance thereon, the subject matter of claim 5 has been added to claim 1 to place claims 1, 2 and 4 in condition for allowance. Claims 5 and 6 have been canceled.

Claims 1, 2, 4 and 6 were rejected in view of various references. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested in view of the present amendment in which allowable subject matter has been added to the sole independent claim.

In view of the present amendment, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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